

Winter '07
Weston Youth Services
WOW!
Before and After-School Programs...
For Weston Intermediate School... grades 3-5
3:20-4:20

Weston's One World After-School programs

WOW! Offers after school programs for students in 3rd – 5th grades at Weston Intermediate School. Enrollment is limited in order to keep classes small. Please register your child only if he/she has a genuine interest in the subject.

Registration: Starting January 8th : No lottery, classes will close as they fill up.
Please email or call the office to check status a class.

Please indicate your 1st and 2nd choices on the registration form and submit.

Please write a separate check for each course (payable to the **Town of Weston**)
Drop your completed form with checks in the **WOW! mailbox** at W.I.S main office.

Fee: See each course listing. ALL materials are included in the fees shown. Financial Aid is available.

Office Policy: Once a class starts, we can not issue refunds.

Please pick up your child ON TIME...4:20!!

Contact Sharyn Samuels, Weston Youth Services at **222-2586**

Email me at ssamuels@weston-ct.com

WOW! Catalogs can now be viewed online through Town website www.weston-ct.com , go to Youth Services

Program Dates: Beginning Monday, January 22, 2007
Time: All classes start at 3:20 – 4:20 (with the exception of Cartooning: 4:50)
Locations: listed in catalog

Dear Parents,

In order to have a successful program, we need your help;

- Please remember to **send a note to you child's homeroom teacher stating they are in a WOW! course.**
 - Please send a healthy snack
 - Remind your child, if they have an after-school class that day.
 - If your child is ill, leaves school before WOW! or will not be attending their course, PLEASE call W.I.S. at 291-2700 and leave a message for WOW! Supervisor. It is very important that you notify us before 3:00. We are responsible for your children and we make every effort to ensure their safety. When your child is not attending WOW! and we are not told, it takes up valuable time that we need for supervision of the program.
- *If a course is cancelled on the day it was to be held and we are unable to contact you, your child will stay with the WOW! Supervisor in the schools main office until you arrive.

Mondays – 11 week session

Courses Offered:

Creative Writing...Mondays...max. 15 students...3-5 graders

Fee: \$140.00... Location: Room # 117...Jan.22 – April 9

“Writing is an exhilarating process, from first draft to last. When I teach my creative writing class, I don’t ask if anyone wants to be a writer. Instead, I ask if anyone loves to write. I want my class to be freeing. I bring in examples from literature and read them out loud. We talk about how much the author has shown us about the character. Words are powerful” these quotes from Ms. Raleigh-Baskin were taken from a wonderful article she wrote for Weston Magazine, November ’05. This course will help a young writer learn to look and listen more closely to the world around them, as well as the world within.

Instructor: Nora Raleigh Baskin, was a finalist of THE CONNECTICUT BOOK AWARDS this year! This represents the State’s best authors, Illustrators and book designers. Her nominated book was BASKETBALL (OR SOMETHING LIKE IT) (HarperCollins Feb.’05) Nora is the author of WHAT EVERY GIRL (EXCEPT ME) KNOWS (Little, Brown 2001) and ALMOST HOME (Little, Brown 2003). and IN THE COMPANY OF CRAZIES (HarperCollins June 2006)

THE TRUTH ABOUT MY BAT MITZVAH will be published by S & S, spring of ’08.

She teaches and speaks all over the country on writing for children and children writing. AND she lives right here in WESTON!! How lucky are we??!!

She is now teaching Creative Writing at Weston Middle School.

Chinese Adventure!...Mondays...max.15 students Jan. 22 – April 9

3rd – 5th graders Fee: \$155.00...Location: Room 220 (Mrs. Huynh’s room)

Did you see the article in the NY Times, stating that the fastest growing language of choice in the US is Chinese?? Come join or continue this Chinese adventure and explore like Marco Polo did hundreds of years ago. We’ll make stops along the way to learn many new things. Try your hand at paper folding, paper cutting, and calligraphy. Wet your appetites on some yummy foods! Learn to speak and write in Chinese. Have fun playing new games. So pack your bags to begin the journey!

Instructor: Sharon Huynh, is a 4th grade teacher at Weston Intermediate School

Tuesdays...11-week session

NEW! Jazz,/ Hip Hop/Yoga...Tuesday..Grades 3-5

Fee: \$130.00...Location..Gym...Jan.23 –April 10

Mrs. Dovo is back and is looking forward to working with the Intermediate students. She will be working on a number of different dance/movement techniques. Jazz, Hop Hip, Yoga and choreography, If students have yoga mats, they may bring them.

(We want to thank Jennifer Hunt for teaching this past fall sessions class)

Instructor: Jean Dovo, is a kindergarten aide at Hurlbutt for over 11 years, a trained dancer and yoga instructor.

NEW! Homework Club... Tuesdays...max.12 students.. 3-5 graders

Fee: \$132.00...Location: Room # ...Jan.23–Apr.10

What a great way of getting the “extra help” your student might need or want. Ms. Margo will work on any subjects your students need help in. No more begging your student to “go do your homework!!”

***Instructor: Alison Margo**, is a 5th grade teacher at WIS and she ran homework clubs at the Middle School for 2 years.*

Mad Scientist....Tuesdays...max. 8 students...3rd -5th graders...fee: \$155.00

Location: Science room # 226 Jan. 23 –April 10

We started this class last spring to rave reviews!! Come join the fun....Did you ever wonder why the sky is blue, what causes an earthquake, or whether there is any vitamin C in a sour fruit gusher? Do you want to know what makes a fingerprint, how microorganisms sense changes in their environments, or whether you can power a car with a potato? Come explore the answers to these and more in this exciting new science class!

***Instructor: Karen Sitney**, has a Ph.D, Biophysics, was a scientist at a pharmaceutical company for 15 years and has taught science courses to students of various ages. She is also a Weston resident.*

Wednesdays...11-week session

NEW! SPECIAL 4- WEEK program: Especially geared for 3-5 graders

MANNERS MATTER... Thursdays...max.12 students...

Fee: \$45.00...Location: TBA...Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14

Kindness, Caring and Consideration... ”We must remember that intelligence is not enough. Intelligence plus character that is the goal of true education” Martin Luther King Jr.

The following topics will be discussed during this 4-week workshop: Respect, Introductions/greetings/handshakes, Common courtesy, Phone manners, Classroom behavior, Table manners ! and Body language. We have been running this program for two years and it has proved to be very well received.

***Instructor: Connie Shine**, has been a special education and kindergarten aide at Hurlbutt for many years and has been working with children regarding courtesy and manners. She is very pleased to see the positive response from offering this program.*

Photography Workshop...Wednesdays..max.12 students..3rd-5th graders..

Fee: \$185.00...Location: #102 ...Jan.24 –April 11

The focus of this course is to introduce students to the fun and skills of photography. Participants will be exposed to basics of photography (composition, working with existing light and using flash) and with various subjects: people, scenery, animals, still life, etc. All students will be lent a 35mm camera with flash. Print film will be used for indoor and outdoor activities. The fee covers the cost of film and processing. Students will also have an opportunity to view and discuss the works of well-known photographers such as Ansel Adams. Check our story in Weston Magazine!

Instructor: Wilma Donaldson, retired as a teacher at Hurlbutt but she can't stay away! Working with Mark Tangarone and the TAG class, and her love for photography keeps her coming back.

Sit and Knit!...Wednesdays...max.12 students...Grades 3-5...

Fee: \$160.00...Location: room # 111 (Mrs. Nardella's classroom)

Jan. 24 –April 11

It's cold outside!! Time to make those warm scarves and more! The group doing this class is loving it! A whole new generation is discovering what our grandmothers have enjoyed for years: the art of knitting. Students receive all materials, knitting needles, wool and carrying bag.

Instructor: Sarah Hall, is an aide at Hurlbutt, and has been knitting for years.

Thursdays...11-week session

Theatre Arts with Mrs. Jessep! ...Thursdays...max.20 students...3rd-5th graders

Fee: \$132.00...Location: Room : Cafeteria Jan. 25 – April 12

Come explore the magical world of the theatre. Explore basic acting technique and stage craft through acting games and exercises; vocal production; basic stage movements; creating characters. A great class for anyone interested in participating in the Middle School stage productions

Instructor: Jane Jessep, was Weston's beloved music teacher for 30 years!! Now retired but not gone! Mrs. Jessep is classical trained in both voice and piano. She also teaches in our very successful Creative Arts/Enrichment camp.

Art with Ms. Liz....Thursdays...max. 8 students....3-5 graders

Fee: \$150.00...Location: # 117 Jan.25 –April 12

Liz is excited about bringing her art program up to the Intermediate school! Through a variety of techniques Liz will honor and encourage the innate creativity of your students. Crayon, batik, paper making, drawing, papermaking, painting, printmaking, sculpture and mask making are some of the "explores" they'll try. The emphasis is on experimenting with different mediums, opening their eyes, respecting others and appreciating the wonders of creativity.

Instructor: Liz Ward, was part of the Hurlbutt Kindergarten team for eight years. She is now working at the ELC at Hurlbutt. She is also an accomplished artist. Liz also teaches in our very popular summer Creative Arts/Enrichment camp.

Fridays...10-week session

Design Studio 101...Fridays...max.12 students...3-5 grades...

Fee: \$ 155.00...Location: Art room #117...Jan.26 – April 13

The most popular class of the Fall session!! Don't miss out on the fun! In Design Studio 101, you will use a variety of craft-making materials including tie-dyes, paper, wire, beads and ribbons to create one-of-a-kind gifts, fashion items, greeting cards, jewelry, keepsake boxes and more. If you enjoy being creative, join Mrs. Smith for fun and the excitement of making handmade designer projects. All materials are included.

Instructor: June Smith, a Weston resident for 14 years, Mrs. Smith is currently a kindergarten aide at Hurlbutt. Mrs. Smith is well-known for her creativity, enjoys working with children, and is looking forward to sharing her crafting skills with her students!

Registration form on next page.....

Child's name: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

Home Address: _____ Home/Cell #'s: _____

Work phone: _____ Bus Route # : _____

Doctor's name: _____ Doctor's Phone: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Contact's phone: _____

Check here if you'd like more than one class, (if available) _____

Please make checks payable to **Town of Weston**

Include separate checks for each class choice. Fees include all materials

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Photography	Wednesdays	\$185.00	_____
Knitting	Wednesday	\$160.00	_____
<u>NEW!</u> Manners Matter (4-weeks)	Wednesdays	\$ 45.00	_____

Thursdays: 11-week session: Jan.25 – April 12

Theatre Arts	Thursdays	\$132.00	_____
<u>NEW!</u> Art w/Liz	Thursdays	\$132.00	_____

Fridays: 10-week session: Jan.26 – April 13

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